

Ralph Ramsay

(Wood worker and master carver.)

1) When was he born?

Clue: To find out and see a picture of this very talented man and a brief summary of his accomplishments, go to the display case by the Orientation room in the main lobby of the Family History Library.

Answer:

Ralph Ramsay

In 1856 Ralph and his wife, Elizabeth and their 1-year old son, Joseph Smith Ramsay, left England to go to Utah. They crossed the Atlantic Ocean on a ship called *Enoch Train*, then traveled by train to Iowa City.

2) How did they travel across the plains to Utah? Who was their leader?

Clue: Go to any computer on any floor of the library.

Click on “FamilySearch.org”

Hold cursor over “About the Church”

Click on “Church History”

Click on “Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel” icon (lower right corner)

Type in first name “Ralph” and surname “Ramsay”; Click “Search”

Click on the name “Ralph Ramsay” to see personal information about him.

Click on “View a list of Individuals” and scroll down to see the names of
Ralph Ramsay and his family.

Click the back arrow in the upper left corner of the screen

Click on “Read a narrative” to see a very interesting history of the crossing
of the plains by this company.

To finish, click the red “X” in the upper right corner of the screen (twice).

Answer:

Ralph Ramsay

Did you read the article about him in the display case? If so, you know that in 1859 he carved a large wooden eagle with a 16-foot wingspan. It was mounted at the entrance to Brigham Young's property (the Eagle Gate). The eagle remained there until 1963, when it was removed when State Street was widened.

3) Where could you go today to see the original carved eagle?

Clue: **Look for a family history book** about Ralph Ramsay and his family.

The Family of Maud Frost and Ralph C. Ramsay

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Main floor Family History Books

Book Shelf 17 (2nd section, 2nd shelf from the top)

After you find the book, go to page 19, mid-page.

Answer:

Ralph Ramsay

Ralph and his wife, Elizabeth, arrived in the Salt Lake valley in 1856. He lived for some time in Salt Lake. Later, he was asked by Brigham Young to participate in the establishment of colonies in southern Utah and in Arizona.

4) Where was he living in 1900?

Clue: Look in the 1900 U.S. Census

Go to the northwest corner of the second floor of the Family History Library.

Find case no. 26
Go to the 9th drawer down

Find FHL film 1240046

Follow the clue you find in the box.

Before you go, put the clue back in the box and replace it in the drawer.

Answer: